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Heroes

SONIC

Sonic the Hedgehog is the fastest thing on planet Mobius, and leads a gang of Freedom Fighters. There's nothing he loves more than danger and excitement – and there's always plenty of both when he's battling the evil Dr Robotnik or the Chaos monster!

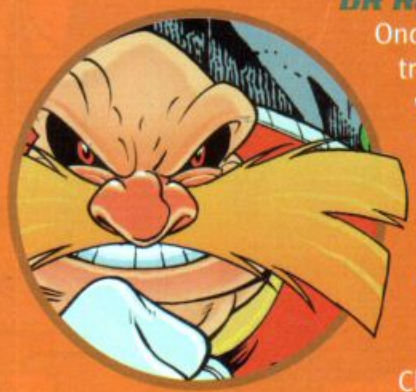
KNUCKLES

Knuckles is one of an ancient race of Echidnas (spiny anteaters) who ruled planet Mobius thousands of years ago. In the future, Knuckles safeguards the Chaos Emeralds.

TIKAL

Tikal is the daugher of Pochacamac, leader of the ancient echidnas. She has brought Sonic into the ancient past to help the echidnas battle the evil alien Drakon Empire!

Villains

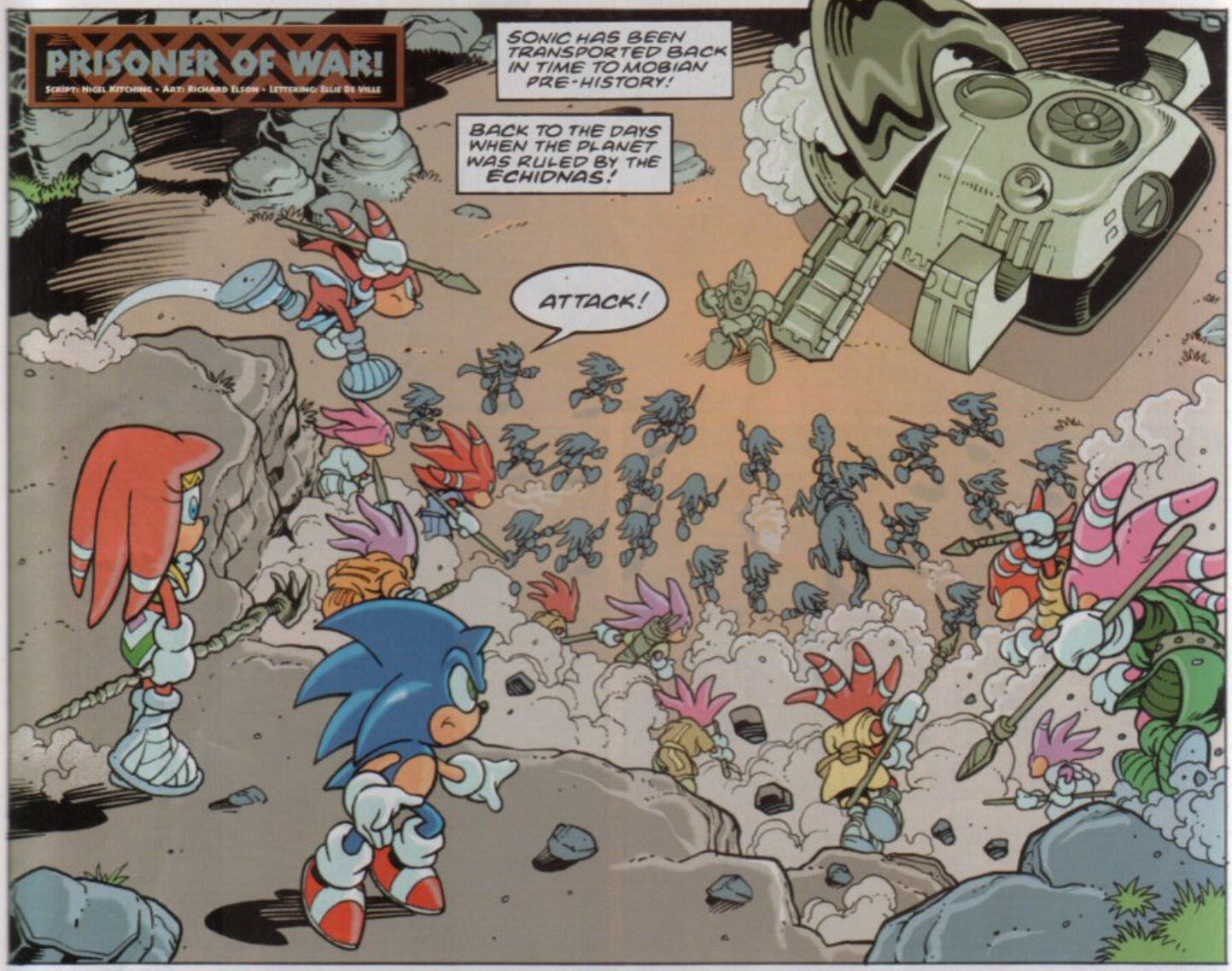


DR ROBOTNIK

Once a kindly scientist, Dr Kintobor was transformed into the evil Dr Robotnik when an experiment went horribly wrong. Now, Dr Robotnik is power-mad, and will stop at nothing to seize total control of the planet!

CHAOS

Chaos is a creature made of pure Chaos Energy. Chaos seeks the Chaos Emeralds, an energy source which could make it totally invincible...


PRISONER OF WAR!
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SONIC HAS BEEN TRANSPORTED BACK IN TIME TO MOBIAN PRE-HISTORY!
BACK TO THE DAYS WHEN THE PLANET WAS RULED BY THE ECHIDNAS!
ATTACK!

AND YOU STILL HAVEN'T EXPLAINED WHY YOU BROUGHT ME INTO THE ANCIENT PAST!
BE PATIENT. I'LL EXPLAIN EVERYTHING LATER...
OR AS MUCH AS I UNDERSTAND, ANYWAY...

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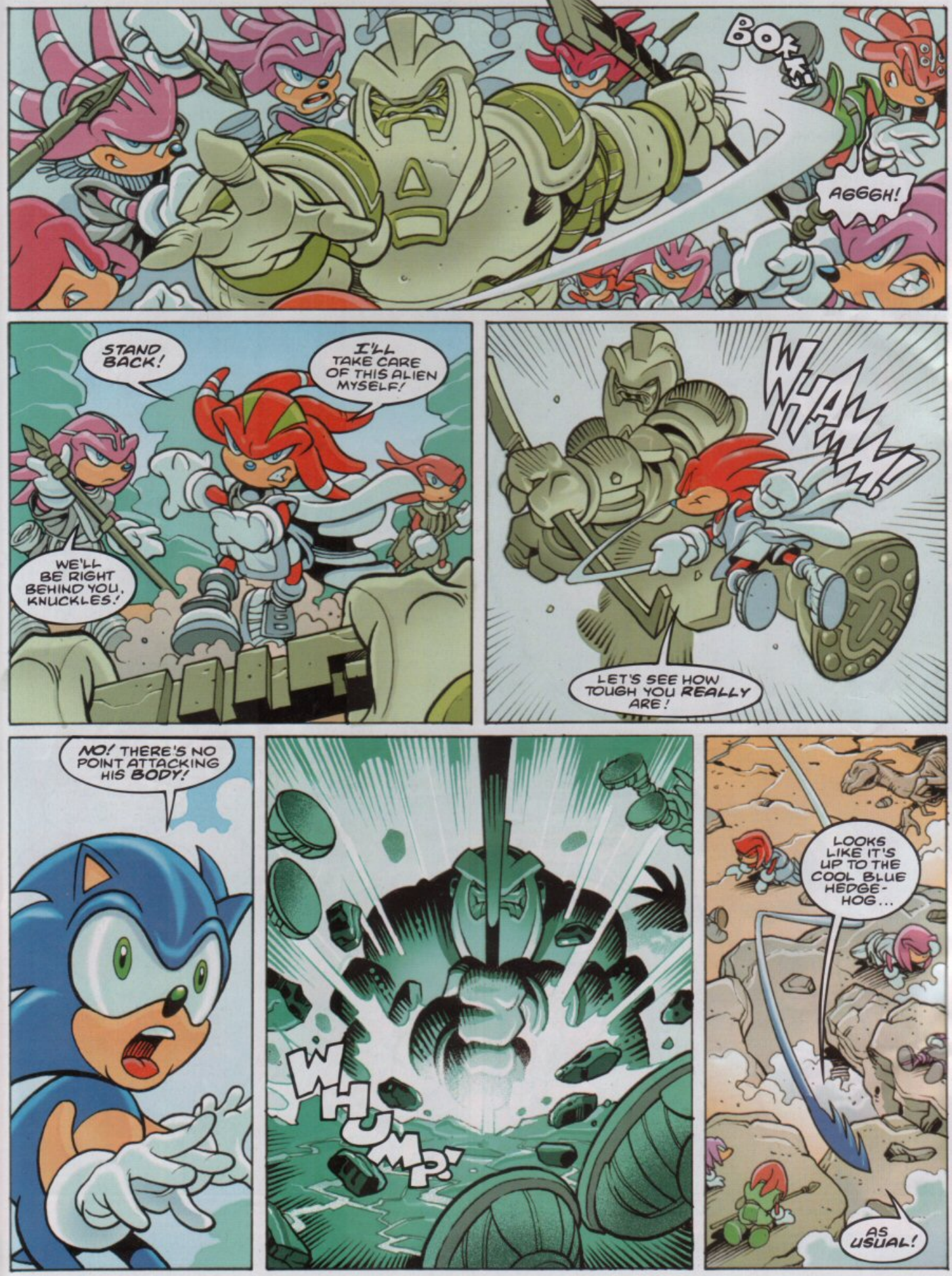
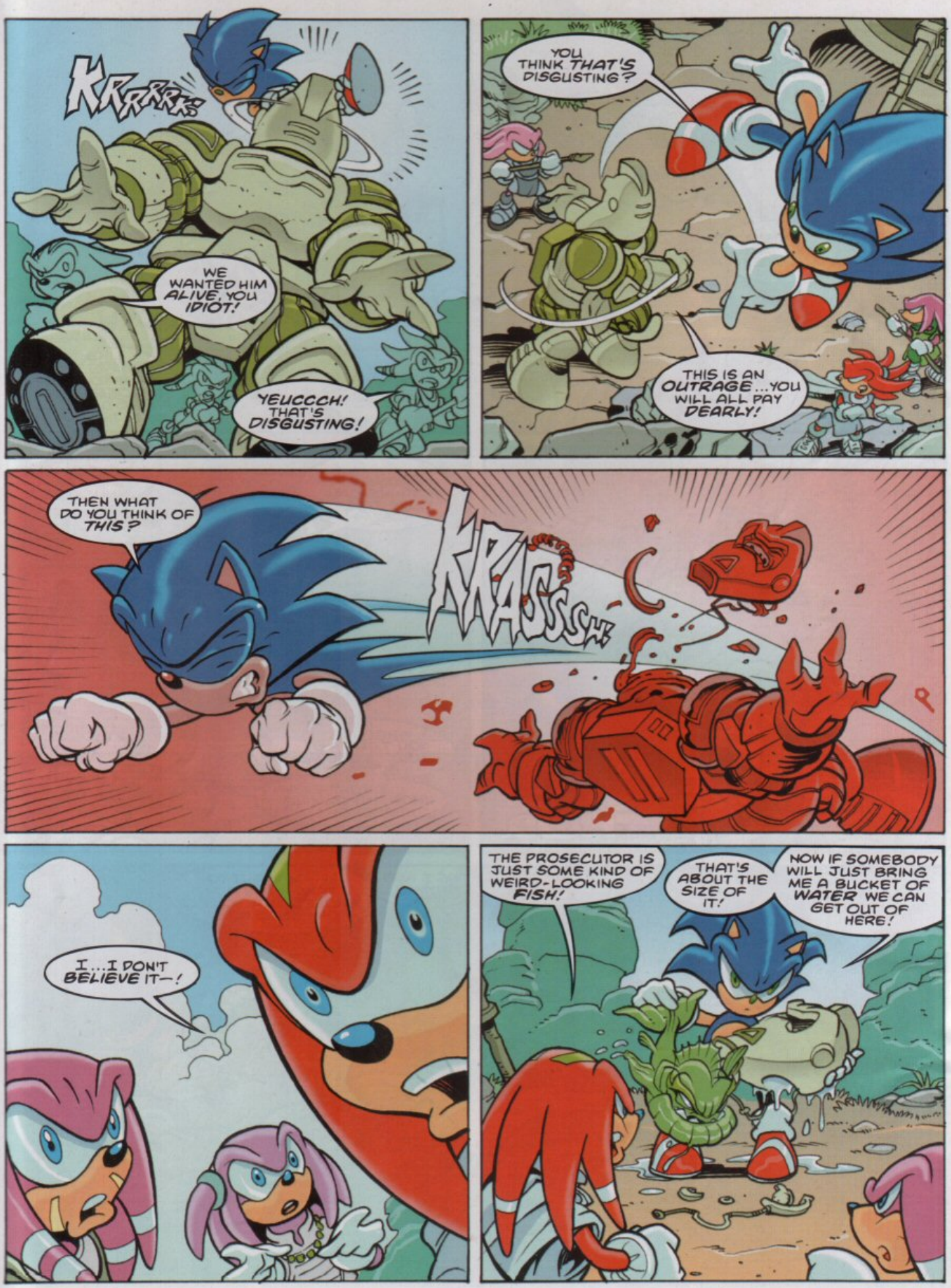
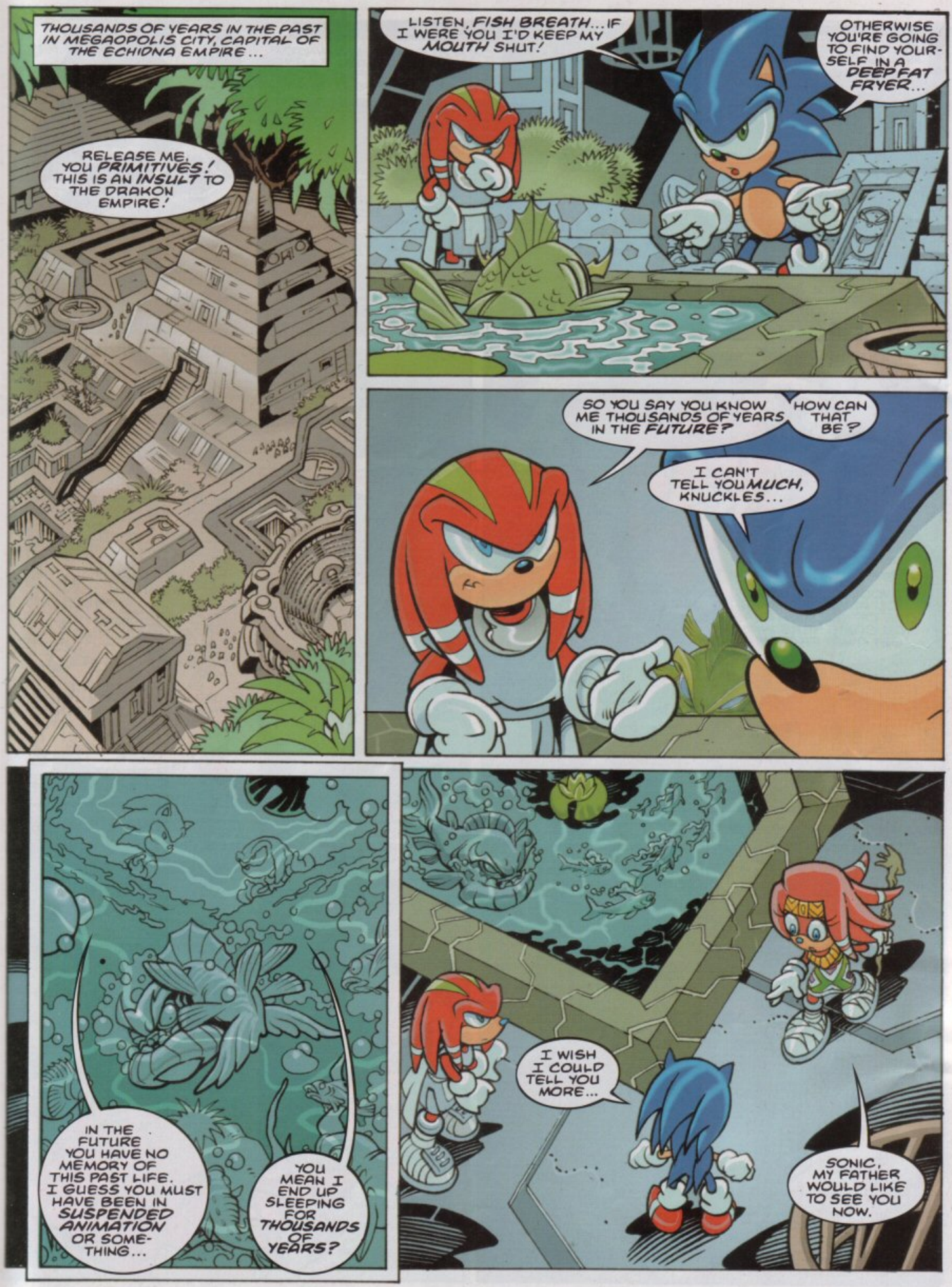
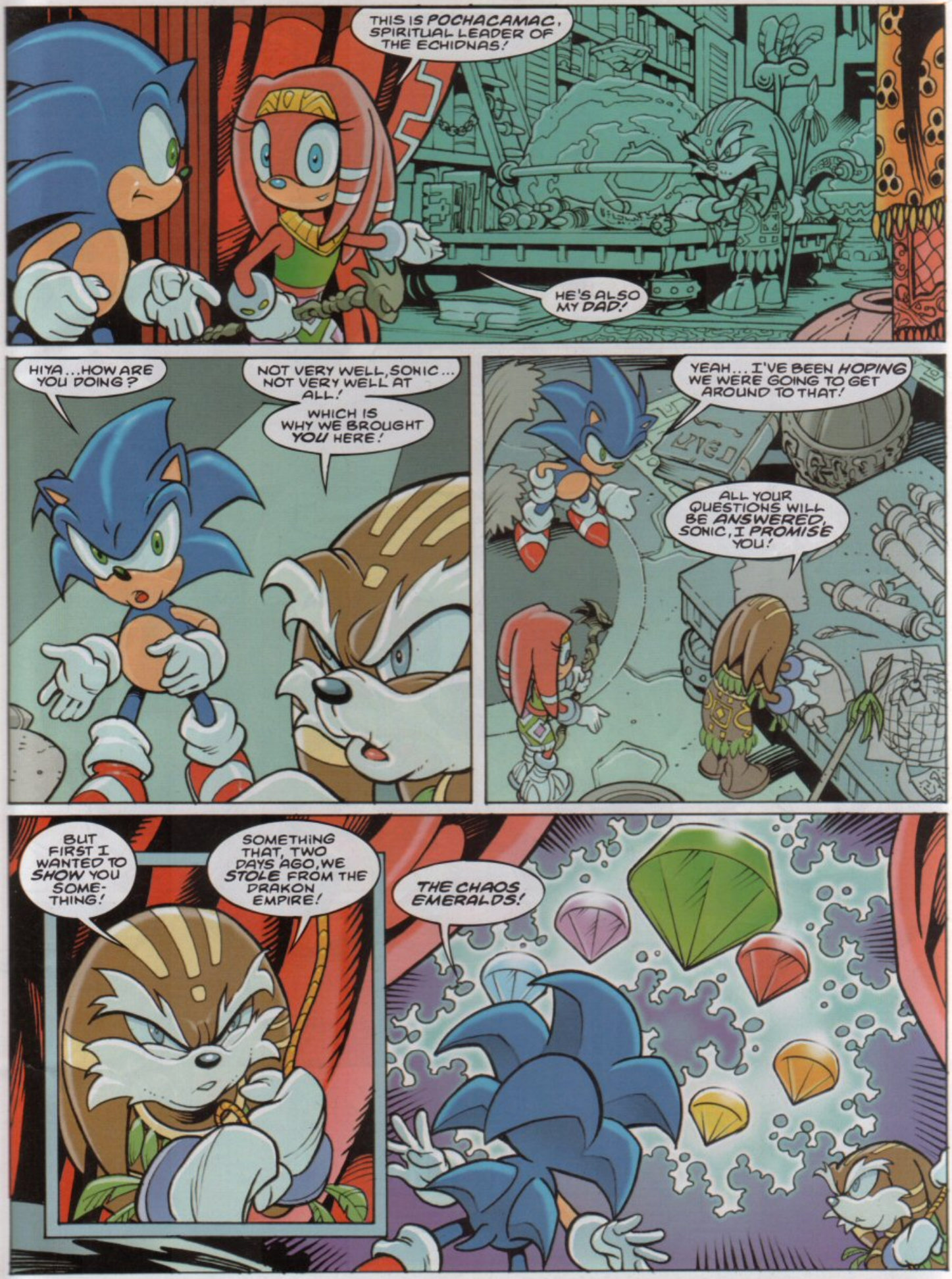

BOK!
AGGGH!
STAND BACK!
I'LL TAKE CARE OF THIS ALIEN MYSELF!
WE'LL BE RIGHT BEHIND YOU, KNUCKLES!
WHAM!
LET'S SEE HOW TOUGH YOU REALLY ARE!
NO! THERE'S NO POINT ATTACKING HIS BODY!
WHUMP!
LOOKS LIKE IT'S UP TO THE COOL BLUE HEDGE-HOG...
AS USUAL!

DON'T BOTHER TO GET UP, GUYS...
THIS'LL ONLY TAKE A MINUTE!
LIKE I WAS SAYING, IF YOU WANT TO TAKE OUT A PROSECUTOR IT'S NO USE GOING FOR THE BODY!
AAAGGH!
NICE GOING, HEDGEHOG... WE'RE ALL REALLY IMPRESSED!
THUD!
IMPOSSIBLE! NOTHING CAN MOVE THAT FAST!
YOU ALWAYS DID HAVE A SMART MOUTH, KNUCKLES!
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT? WE'VE NEVER MET!
I DON'T EVEN KNOW ANY TALKING HEDGEHOGS!
OH, WE'VE MET ALL RIGHT... BUT IT'S STILL IN YOUR FUTURE!
BUT WE'LL GET TO THAT AFTER I DEAL WITH THE PROSECUTOR!
AS I WAS SAYING...
IF YOU WANT TO TAKE DOWN A PROSECUTOR, YOU GO FOR THE HEAD!


KRRRRK
WE WANTED HIM ALIVE, YOU IDIOT!
YEUCCCH! THAT'S DISGUSTING!
YOU THINK THAT'S DISGUSTING?
THIS IS AN OUTRAGE...YOU WILL ALL PAY DEARLY!
THEN WHAT DO YOU THINK OF THIS?
KRASSSH
I...I DON'T BELIEVE IT—!
THE PROSECUTOR IS JUST SOME KIND OF WEIRD-LOOKING FISH!
THAT'S ABOUT THE SIZE OF IT!
NOW IF SOMEBODY WILL JUST BRING ME A BUCKET OF WATER WE CAN GET OUT OF HERE!

BACK IN THE PRESENT...
ON A BLEAK MOUNTAINTOP IN THE INHOSPITABLE LANDS TO THE NORTH OF METROPOLIS CITY STANDS A FORTRESS...
YOU'VE NEVER BEEN TO MY RETREAT BEFORE, HAVE YOU, GRIMER?
NO, DOCTOR ROBOTNIK.
WHEN YOU RULED MOBIUS, YOU ALWAYS SAID THAT ONE OF THE MAIN REASONS YOU CAME HERE WAS TO GET AWAY FROM ME!
L...LOOK! I SEE IT!
YES... YOU'RE RIGHT, GRIMER! THE MASTER EMERALD IS HERE!
ONCE THE EMERALDS WERE RELEASED FROM THEIR CHAMBER * I WAS ABLE TO ATTRACT THEM WITH MY CHAOS RESONATOR!
* SEE STC #178!
NOW WE HAVE COLLECTED FOUR... I THINK IT'S SAFE TO ASSUME THAT THE CHAOS CREATURE HAS ABSORBED THE OTHER THREE!
WHICH MEANS IF CHAOS WANTS THE REST OF THE EMERALDS, HE'LL HAVE TO COME TO US!
ARE YOU SCARED, GRIMER?
MASTER, I AM ABSOLUTELY TERRIFIED!


THOUSANDS OF YEARS IN THE PAST IN MEGAOPOLIS CITY, CAPITAL OF THE ECHIDNA EMPIRE...
RELEASE ME, YOU PRIMITIVES! THIS IS AN INSULT TO THE DRAKON EMPIRE!
LISTEN, FISH BREATH... IF I WERE YOU I'D KEEP MY MOUTH SHUT!
OTHERWISE YOU'RE GOING TO FIND YOURSELF IN A DEEP FAT FRYER...
SO YOU SAY YOU KNOW ME THOUSANDS OF YEARS IN THE FUTURE?
HOW CAN THAT BE?
I CAN'T TELL YOU MUCH, KNUCKLES...
IN THE FUTURE YOU HAVE NO MEMORY OF THIS PAST LIFE. I GUESS YOU MUST HAVE BEEN IN SUSPENDED ANIMATION OR SOMETHING...
YOU MEAN I END UP SLEEPING FOR THOUSANDS OF YEARS?
I WISH I COULD TELL YOU MORE...
SONIC, MY FATHER WOULD LIKE TO SEE YOU NOW.


THIS IS POCHACAMAC, SPIRITUAL LEADER OF THE ECHIDNAS!
HE'S ALSO MY DAD!
HIYA...HOW ARE YOU DOING?
NOT VERY WELL, SONIC... NOT VERY WELL AT ALL!
WHICH IS WHY WE BROUGHT YOU HERE!
YEAH... I'VE BEEN HOPING WE WERE GOING TO GET AROUND TO THAT!
ALL YOUR QUESTIONS WILL BE ANSWERED, SONIC, I PROMISE YOU!
BUT FIRST I WANTED TO SHOW YOU SOMETHING!
SOMETHING THAT, TWO DAYS AGO, WE STOLE FROM THE DRAKON EMPIRE!
THE CHAOS EMERALDS!

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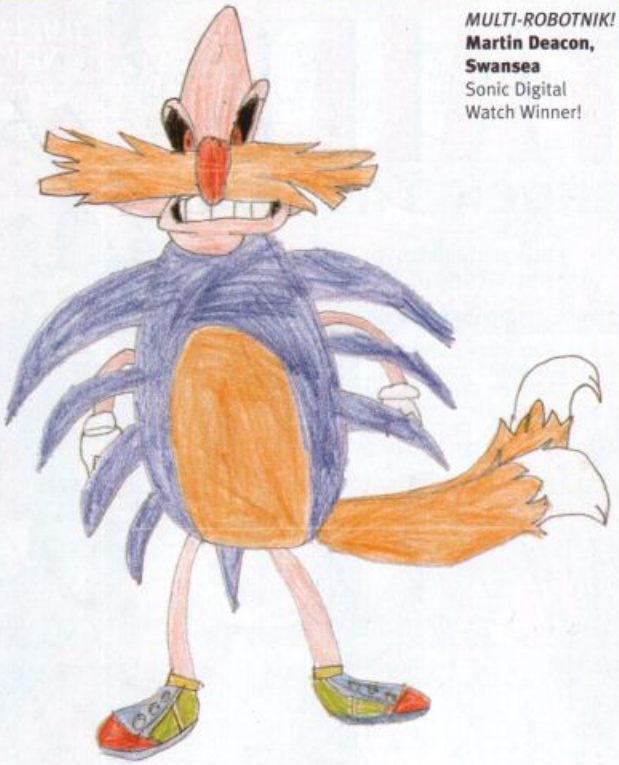

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